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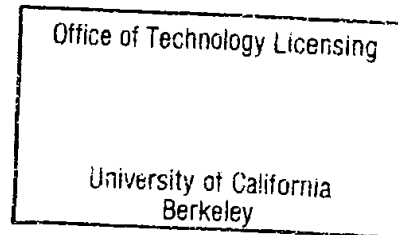
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Re: Patentability Search - CHEMICAL FLOW  
AND REACTOR MICROINSTRUMENTATION  
Inventors: Northrop and White  
UCB Case No. B92-011

Dear Scott:

As instructed by your letters of \_\_\_\_\_ we have asked  
our Washington, D.C. associate to conduct a novelty search on the subject disclosure.

We hope to receive the search results within approximately two weeks. If  
you have any questions in the meantime, please let us know.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Bill".

William J. Egan, III

cc: Dr. White  
Dr. Northrop